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SUBJECT: ANGOLA IN ZAIRIAN PRESS

USIA FOR IOP/M AND IAA

AMCONSUL CAPETOWN FOR EMBASSY

1. UNITA COMMUNIQUE ISSUED FEBRUARY 7, CARRIED OFFICIAL ZAIRIAN  
NEWSAGENCY (AZAP) FEBRUARY 9, DREW ATTENTION OF WORLD OPINION TO  
MASSACRE OF POPULATION BY RUSSO-CUBAN BOMBARDMENT IN AREAS OF  
HUAMBO AND BIE. BOMBARDMENT BY HEAVY ARTILLERY AND JET AIRCRAFT  
BEGAN FEBRUARY 5, BUT STUBBORN RESISTANCE REPORTEDLY BEING  
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OFFERED DESPITE EQUIPMENT VASTLY INFERIOR TO THAT OF ENEMY. UNITA

COMMUNIQUE CLAIMED TWO ENEMY T-34 TANKS DESTROYED AND TWO CUBAN SOLDIERS KILLED AT ALTO-HAMA, WITH ANOTHER 3 TANKS DESTROYED, 3 CUBAN PRISONERS TAKEN, 15 KILLED AND SIGNIFICANT AMOUNTS OF MATERIAL TAKEN AROUND LUSO. VIOLENT FIGHTING WAS IN PROGRESS FEBRUARY 6 AROUND NOVO REDONDO WHERE UNITA ALLEGEDLY WIPED OUT A RUSSO/CUBAN COMMANDO FORCE, KILLING THREE RUSSIANS. COMMUNIQUE ALSO ALLEGED THAT ALGERIANS WERE FLYING COMBAT AIRCRAFT WITH LONG RANGE MISSILES IN AREA AROUND TOWN OF MUSSENDE. THIS WAS FIRST SIGNAL OF ALGERIAN PRESENCE. COMMUNIQUE SAID RUSSIANS AND CUBANS CONTINUE CRIMINAL MASSACRE OF PEACEFUL POPULATION AND RAPE OF YOUNG GIRLS AND PEASANT WOMEN. UNITA APPEALS TO FREE WORLD AND TO TRULY INDEPENDENT AFRICAN COUNTRIES TO LOOK AT THE EVIDENCE, "CEASE ENCOURAGING THE MASSACRE OF OUR PEOPLE BY THE RUSSIANS". COMMUNIQUE CONCLUDED WITH STATEMENT THAT IT MUST BE REALIZED THAT, AFTER 14 YEARS OF STRUGGLE AGAINST THE PORTUGUESE, INDEPENDENCE WAS SUBVERTED BY "WAYWARD BROTHERS OF THE MPLA" WHO SEEK TO GRAB POWER BY FORCE WITH RUSSO-CUBAN COMPLICITY AND ARMS. CUTLER

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